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**Minnie Saltzman Stevens Collection**

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**Collection Information**

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**Brief History**

Madame **Minnie Saltzman Stevens** (March 1873-January 25,1950) was born in Bloomington, Illinois, the daughter of John Michael Saltzman, a Union Civil War veteran, and Wilhelmina Benecke Saltzman. From childhood she had a strong desire to sing and perform before an audience. Her father died when Minnie was four, leaving the family in financial straits. As a teenager Minnie worked for a time in the folding room of *The Daily Pantagraph*, while her brother Henry was stage manager at the Grand Opera House. Holding on to her dream, she joined the Amateur Musical Club in 1889, saved money to purchase a

piano, began piano lessons, and joined a church choir to improve her voice and to earn money for music instruction. In an autograph book from the 1890's Minnie noted "took my first vocal lesson Wednesday A.M. November 20, 1895, from Miss Stevick in Bloomington, Ill."

Minnie Saltzman became the second wife of Bloomington druggist **Dr. Alexander Stevens** on August 23, 1899. Dr. Stevens supported her desire for better voice training and sent her abroad "to study and see if any one over there understands and recognizes what you know you have in you." (See letter from Minnie to Edith Beyer dated Nov. 1 1936 in Archives vertical file.)

Minnie went to France in 1904 and for four years studied with **Jean de Reske**, a famous opera tenor, who, during a lesson, pushed her to sing "Twilight of the Gods" by Richard Wagner. Minnie found it perfectly suited to her contralto voice. In 1908, the manager of Covent Garden heard Saltzman Stevens sing and offered her a chance to perform in London. She accepted, joining the Covent Garden Opera Company for the 1908 season, and made an acclaimed debut, especially impressing Wagner's son Siegfried, with whom she was later associated.

In the following years Minnie became well-known as a Wagnerian soprano, and toured Europe, as well as America in 1910. She performed at least once in Bloomington at the Chatterton Opera House. At the outbreak of **World War I** she chose to wait out the hostilities in Italy, living first in Florence and then in Milan, which became her "temporary" residence for the remainder of her life. Her husband died on May 26, 1921, at her mother's home in Bloomington and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery. The Stevens' had no children.

According to a letter by **Joseph F. Bohrer**, Minnie's attorney, dated October 26, 1948, a throat ailment developed around 1914 which put an end to Minnie's musical career. She waited in Italy, hoping that her voice would return. When **World War II** came she received a protective passport from the Swiss government in order to stay in Italy. Minnie's letters to Bohrer and other close friends express her desire to return to her native United States, thereby ending her "self-imposed exile", but circumstances prevented this. Minnie Saltzman Stevens died peacefully in her sleep in Milan on January 15, 1950, following a heart attack. Her body was shipped back to Bloomington where it was buried in the Deutsch family plot in Evergreen Cemetery.

### **Saltzman Stevens Family Data**

Father: John Michael Saltzman (b.France, 1837; d. Bloomington, 1878)  
Mother: Wilhelmina Benecke (b.Kleingartz, Germany, September 26; d. Bloomington, April 11,1925)  
Mar. McLean County, Aug. 16, 1865.

Children: Rudolph Saltzman (b.1865; d 1935)  
Henry Saltzman (b.1867; d 1933)  
Lillian Saltzman (b.1869; d.19??)  
(married Emanuel E. Cook on Sept. 10, 1902 and moved to Nebraska)  
Louise Saltzman (b.January 13, 1872; d.February 7, 1946)  
**Minnie A.** Saltzman (b.March, 1873; d.January 25, 1950)

(married August 23, 1899 to Dr. Alexander N. Stevens (b. Petersburg, Il. December 14, 1860; d. Bloomington, May 26, 1921); no children.

Sources (on microfilm):

1880 McLean County, Illinois, Census (reel T9-230, p.73): Bloomington, 2<sup>nd</sup> ward, June 22; 424 N. Main St., household of Saltzman, Meni.

1900 McLean County, Illinois, census (reel T624-321, p.11); Bloomington, 1<sup>st</sup> ward, June 7, 213 E. Mulberry, household of Stevens, Alexander.

McLean County Marriage Records, 1892-1909 (reel 12).

*The Daily Pantagraph*: obituaries for Minnie Saltzman Stevens, Meni Saltzman, and Alexander Stevens.

## Scope and Contents Notes

The Minnie Saltzman Stevens Papers consists of personal and legal papers belonging to the noted Bloomington-born Wagnerian soprano. The bulk of the collection contains correspondence between Madam Stevens and her attorney and executor of her estate, Joseph F. Bohrer. There is also correspondence between Madame Stevens and her good friend, Florence Fifer Bohrer; financial records; Italian death certificates; her will and probate documents; legal documents concerning her suit against Columbia Pictures; a book about the Covent Garden Opera Company; and an autograph book from her girlhood. The collection was arranged by the donor, Joseph F. Bohrer, upon his retirement in 1985, and relates to the Minnie Saltzman-Stevens papers at Illinois State University's archives.

Throughout her residence in Milan, Italy, Minnie kept in close contact with her attorney, Joseph F. Bohrer, the son of her close lifelong friend, Florence Fifer Bohrer, who acted as her proxy in financial transactions and was executor of her estate. Most of the material in the collection documents her relationship with the Bohrers from 1942 to 1950, or involves the settling of her estate (1950-1951).

Saltzman Stevens-Bohrer Correspondence and Papers covers the period between October, 1941 to September, 1949, and deals primarily with financial transfers to Minnie during World War II, various troubles in post-war Italy, and the drawing up of her will. There are also letters to Florence Fifer Bohrer, a letter dated November 1, 1936, describing Saltzman Stevens' interest in and the start of her singing career, and personal notes to Joseph Bohrer.

Legal correspondence covers the period between September, 1946 and December 1949, and includes correspondence regarding her will and money to be sent to Italy, and correspondence from Bohrer to various stock corporations, banks, law firms, and the State Department, as well as early will drafts.

Receipts cover the period June, 1948 to July, 1950, and includes safety deposit box rental, income tax services, repairs to the Saltzman home in Bloomington, and stock receipts.

Minnie Saltzman Stevens vs. Columbia (1948) involves correspondence between Saltzman Stevens, Bohrer, and two other law firms (O.P. Westervelt in Peoria and George Link in New York) regarding a lawsuit against Columbia Pictures for unauthorized use of Saltzman Stevens' photograph.

Financial records from January, 1943, to June, 1952, include lists of Saltzman Stevens' stock holdings, correspondence from Bohrer concerning finances, lease agreements, and income tax forms (1943-1950).

State Department Correspondence includes letters and telegrams from Bohrer to the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago, the Chase National Bank in New York, and the State Department during World War II.

Death Certificates filed in Italy in 1950 and four folders of Estate Files from December, 1948 to October, 1951, include communications, guardianship for Saltzman Stevens' heirs, announcements in the *Pantagraph*, inventories of personal effects shipped from Italy, Probate Court Petitions, and the Executor's Final Report.

Miscellany includes a letter from Minnie to one of her heirs, Arthur Worth Taylor, two letters in Italian, various affidavits, and financial records, and an envelope on which Bohrer made various notes.

The collection also contains a book, "Stories of the Operas and The Singers" (1910), which has a brief biography of Saltzman Stevens, and autograph book dating ca. 1890-1899, and a financial ledger.

Additional material on the Saltzman Stevens families, including obituaries, a concert program the Chatterton Opera House in Bloomington, Il., and a letter from MSS to Edith Beyer, a Bloomington teacher, can be found in the opera book and the Photograph Collection.

## **Box and Folder Inventory**

### **Box 1**

**Folder 1.**      **Stories of the Operas and the singers (1910)**

**Folder 2.**      **Autograph book (ca. 1890-1899)**

**Folder 3.**      **Financial Ledger (1942-1951)**

**Folder 4.**      **Death Certificates and Related Documents (1950)**

- 4.1    2-24-50    telegram on body shipment
- 4.2    2-8-50    consular mortuary certificate
- 4.3    2-8-50    report on death of American citizen
- 4.4    2-8-50    "Ufficio Di Igiene"
- 4.5    2-8-50    U.S. consular affidavit
- 4.6    2-7-50    "Certificate Di Morte"
- 4.7    2-8-50    U.S. consular affidavit
- 4.8    2-7-50    Chirurgo Medico
- 4.9    2-8-50    U.S. consular affidavit
- 4.10   2-6-50    medico chirurgo
- 4.11   2-8-50    U.S. consular affidavit

**Folder 5:**      **Saltzman Stevens-Bohrer Correspondence and Papers (1941-1949)**

- 5.1    1-24-46    Saltzman Stevens (SS) to F. F. Bohrer (FFB); description of book, war, history, inflation, passport problems, packages.

- 5.2 10-30-41 SS to Joseph Bohrer (JB); send money through South America
- 5.3 2-16-46 SS to JB; exchange rates, newly opened U.S. consulate
- 5.4 8-31-45 SS to JB; crime in Milan, food prices, shortages
- 5.5 4-13-42 JB to SS; Red Cross exchange letter
- 11-6-42 JB to SS; Red Cross exchange letter
- 8-12-45 JB to SS; Red Cross exchange letter
- 5.6 9-4-49 SS to JB; "Blue" dollars, bribery
- 5.7 4-10-49 SS to JB; dentists, exchange rates
- 5.8 7-8-42 Financial maintenance request to Swiss Legation
- 5.9 3-31-43 JB; Alien property custodian report on SS real estate
- 5.10 1-25-46 SS to J; money sent, State Department
- 5.11 3-12-46 American Airlines (AA) to JB; money, exchange rates
- 5.12 2-27-46 SS to FFB; description of Louise Saltzman (sister)
- 5.13 4-27-46 SS to JB; war finance, Poletti, house in Bloomington
- 5.14 10-30-? SS; Poem, "We Two", to JB on wedding
- 5.15 1-18-46 SS to JB; problems with consulate and passport, working with Swiss consulate
- 5.16 3-27-46 SS to JB; mail service exchange rate, mail through Mexico, politics in Italy, Catholics.

**Folder 6: Legal Correspondence (1946-1949)**

- 6.1 7-12-46 Thompson (Div. of Finance) to JB; 12 paid promissory notes enclosed (12 notes – Swiss legation)
- 6.2 11-18-48 JB to AA; war events affecting passports, experience with U.S. consulate, war experienced in Italy
- 6.3 12-15-48 SS to JB; witness to will, problems with consulate
- 6.4 11-23-48 Will of SS, certificate of acknowledgement by vice-consul
- 6.5 12-1-48 JB to SS; on will, will attached
- 6.6 12-10-49 SS to JB; on "sweetness", experience with Military Police, gifts
- 6.7 12-30-49 Hammit, Willam to SS; thank you for gift to Baby Fold
- 6.8 11-20-49 Matheson, RA to JB; received gift of Ladies Home Journal
- 6.9 12-16-49 JB to SS; gifts dispersed
- 6.10 12-15-49 Westervelt-McKercher and Link
- 6.11 12-13-49 JB to O.Westervelt (OW); lawsuit bond
- 6.12 12-12-49 OW to JB; lawsuit bond
- 6.13 12-12-49 SS to JB; received check, bank receipt
- 6.14 12-12-49 SS to JB; want dollar fund
- 6.15 8-29-49 JB to SS; sent \$320 check, receipt
- 6.16 8-25-49 SS to JB; need check for \$320 to liquidate debt
- 6.17 5-25-49 SS to JB; Columbia ready to settle law suit, conditions in Milan, soccer star's divorce
- 6.18 6-11-49 JB to J. Marian; check to be accredited to Porta account
- 6.19 6-11-49 JB to SS; on soccer star's divorce
- 6.20 6-7-49 SS to JB; troubles with check cashing
- 6.21 5-4-49 Ow to JB; letter enclosed (from Link to SS), Columbia will settle for \$750.00

6.22	3-24-49	Louis Nicastro (LN) to JB; problems with Porta check
6.23	3-16-49	SS to JB; Porta check
6.24	3-22-49	JB to LN; Porta check
6.25	3-4-49	LN to JB; Porta check
6.26	2-28-49	JB to LN; Porta check (note to SS, wrong names on photo)
6.27	12-17-47	JB to SS; on will, enclosed sample
6.28	2-23-49	SS to JB; send \$300 to LN for Porta, names on photo, exile, appreciation of America
6.29	12-15-48	JB to MJ; Black; need Arthur Taylor address for SS will.
6.30	12-10-48	W. Hammit to SS; thank you for gift
6.31	12-11-47	SS to JB; postal service, will
6.32	12-17-47	JB to SS; details of will, sample enclosed
6.33	11-30-48	JB to W. Hammit; gift for Baby Fold
6.34	11-23-48	SS to JB; received identity certificate, not aware of any relatives, reading material
6.35	10-22-48	SS to JB; tax difficulties, family reminiscence, concerning taxes, passport problems
6.36	10-26-48	JB to Senator Scott Lucas (SL); review of SS and passport problems
6.37	11-11-48	JB to SS; obtaining certificate of identity
6.38	11-4-48	Shipley (Passport Division) to SL; concerning SS
6.39	10-29-48	SL to JB; SS case hopeless
6.40	10-28-48	JB to SS; written to SL, Columbia Pictures suit

**Folder 7: Receipts (1948-50)**

7.1	7-31-50	Lamson Brothers Stock
7.2	1-10-50	United Electric Company; house repairs
7.3	6-30-49	Zinzer Paint; house repairs
7.4	7-11-49	Ne Da Paint; house repairs
7.5	8-1-49	Ralph L. Coup; house repairs
7.6	7-8-49	Corn Belt Bank; box rental (1949-1950)
7.7	4-22-49	McLean County; taxes
7.8	3-1-49	Ideal Sheet Metal Company; house repair
7.9	2-8-49	Merrit Gifford; accountant
7.10	1-27-49	Curtiss Publishing Company; magazine
7.11	7-12-48	Potts; rent
7.12	7-12-48	Corn Belt Bank; box rental (1948-1949)
7.13	6-22-48	JB to Potts; rent payment
7.14	6-1-48	Potts; rent

**Folder 8; Minnie Saltzman Stevens vs. Columbia (1948)**

8.1	9-27-48	OW to JB; trial date
8.2	9-23-48	Link to OW; trial statement
8.3	9-11-48	JB to SS; trial date
8.4	10-2-48	P. Gudenzi (PG) to JB; Porta money
8.5	9-11-48	JB to PG; Porta money

8.6	9-2-48	OW to JB; letter enclosed
8.7	8-31-48	Link to OW; will SS come to the U.S.?
8.8	8-26-48	OW to JB; bond received, will SS come to U.S.?
8.9	8-25-48	JB to OW; bond sent
8.10	8-23-48	OW to JB; letter enclosed, settlement tried
8.11	8-19-48	Link to F. Miller; will SS come to U.S.?
8.12	10-7-48	SS to JB; finance, ecology, consulate, Russia
8.13	10-7-48	SS to JB; defense of suit
8.14	10-12-48	JB to OW; trial set
8.15	10-13-48	OW to JB; SS must be in country for suit
8.16	7-15-48	JB to OW; bond sent
8.17	7-12-48	OW to JB; bond request
8.18	7-10-48	receipt

**Folder 9: Financial Records (1943-1952)**

9.1	6-2-52	JB to Director Internal Revenue; 1950 taxes
9.2	5-29-52	Ed Vaugh to JB; 1950 taxes
9.3	6-14-41	Inventory of stock
	1941	Property Report
9.4	1-3-50	1950 Tax declaration
9.5	1-3-50	1949 Tax return, copy
9.6	12-17-49	Tax statement
9.7	1-11-49	1948 Tax Statemtn
9.8	1-5-48	Declaration of estimated taxes
9.9	1-5-48	1947 Tax return
9.10	1-20-47	Declaration of estimated taxes
9.11	1-22-47	1946 Tax return
	1946	Note on 1946 Taxes
9.12	6-25-48	1947 Real Estate Taxes
9.13	2-4-28	1946 Tax estimate
9.14	3-5-45	1946 Tax estimate
	1945	1945 Tax estimate
	1945	Note on 1945 Tax return
9.15	1-3-45	1944 Tax return
9.16	1-21-45	Statement on non-payment
9.17	11-29-46	Lease
9.18	12-3-46	O.P.A. Registration of rental dwelling
9.19	12-24-46	E. McLaughlin to JB; money on deposit in Milan
9.20	6-28-46	J. Murphy to JB; holds promissory notes
9.21	7-5-46	JB to Division of Finance; Dept. of State, money sent
9.22	11-7-46	McLaughlin to JB; follow- up on deposit
9.23	9-6-46	JB to B. Bake; funds lost
9.24	9-17-46	McLaughlin to JB; funds lost
9.25	5-29-46	G.Bake to JB; funds will be handled
9.26	5-8-46	JB to G. Bake; funds sent
9.27	3-12-46	G. Bake to JB; voucher enclosed
9.28	12-19-45	Special deposit voucher

9.29	12-19-45	Exchange Voucher
9.30	2-11-46	Receipt, funeral account, Bake Funeral Services
	n.d.	Note on Louise
9.31	11-13-45	G. Bake to JB; funds received
9.32	10-26-45	JB to SS; funds sent, criticism of State Department
9.33	2-26-46	JB to Secretary of State; check on funds
9.34	2-12-46	JB to SS; should sell house
9.35	1-29-46	JB to Miller; lawsuit
9.36	1-26-46	Miller to JB; when will SS return

**Folder 10: State Department Correspondence (1941-1945)**

10.1	10-23-45	JB to G. Bake; check enclosed
10.2	7-7-45	JB to SS; money can be sent at own risk
10.3	7-2-45	G. Bake to JB; can send money through State Dept.
10.4	5-25-45	JB to State Dept.; is SS alive?
10.5	7-17-44	G. Bake to JB; should contact Red Cross for information on SS
10.6	5-4-43	Procedure to be followed, financial assistance, Americans... interests represented by Switzerland
10.7	6-26-44	JB to G. Bake; received voucher
10.8	6-22-44	G. Bake to JB; vouchers enclosed
10.9	6-1942	Three vouchers, Swiss Legation, Milan
	10-2-45	E.C.Funk to C. McElhaney; sending blocked dollars
10.10	11-8-43	JB to H. Jones; Report on property insurance
10.11	11-6-43	H. Jones to JB; is SS property insured?
10.12	3-29-43	I.Kolb to JB; Alien Property Report
10.13	3-27-43	F.Gowen to JB; SS receiving Swiss money
10.14	3-18-43	JB to F.van den Arend (FVA); would like receipt
10.15	4-13-42	copy, Red Cross letter
10.16	4-8-42	FVA to JB; received payment, Swiss will support SS
10.17	3-25-42	JB to FVA; \$200 sent
10.18	3-14-42	FVA to JB; information on sending funds enclosed
10.19	3-10-42	Financial Assistance to Americans procedure statement
10.20	3-6-42	FVA to JB; trying to establish funding channels
10.21	2-23-42	JB to J.Green; trying to send money to SS
10.22	2-9-42	N.Dawes to JB, sending funds (pre-war) in blocked dollar
10.23	10-23-41	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; General License No.33 as amended
10.24	2-6-42	JB to N.Dawes; request for license
10.25	1-23-42	L. Foster to JB; sending forms
10.26	1-22-42	JB to Federal Reserve Bank; request for report forms
10.27	1-24-42	Note on balance
10.28	8-16-41	U.S.Treasury Department Public Circular No.4
	n.d.	Form T.F.R. – 300 Series (Report of Foreign National Property in U.S.)

**Box 2**



**Folder 1: Estate File 1 (1950-1951)**

1.1	1-5-60	JB to National Transit Company; check returned
1.2	10-2-51	JB to K. Thompson; details on house sale
1.3	10-2-51	JB; note on house
1.4	8-30-51	L. Williams(Bloomington Federal Savings and Loan) opinion on abstract
1.5	10-2-51	Settlement statement, SS house
1.6	10-2-51	1010 N. Evans St. sale
1.7	10-2-51	Warranty Deed, Thompson/Jaspers
1.8	10-1-51	Affidavit on unknown heirs
1.9	6-7-51	Probate @25235 (SS estate) Final report
1.10	2-21-50	Telegram to JB; SS body shipped
1.11	5-18-51	Corporate Stock Receipt
1.12	3-29-51	California Will Testimonies for Taylors, Blacks
1.13	6-16-51	Proof of Notice of Final Report
1.14	6-20-51	Mrs. M. Black to JB; do not send ring
1.15	6-11-51	A. Hartwell (AH) to JB; receipt enclosed
1.16	6-7-51	JB to AH; receipt enclosed
1.17	6-4-51	JB to V. Dallman; final tax return enclosed
1.18	6-4-51	Fiduciary Income Tax Return for 1951
1.19	6-19-51	JB note on 1951 Return
1.20	6-4-51	JB to AH; security value
1.21	6-1-51	AH to JB; send cost data
1.22	5-28-51	Inheritance Tax Receipt
1.23	5-25-51	B. Wall to JB; tax due

**Folder 2: Estate File 2 (1951)**

2.1	5-24-51	receipt for registered article
2.2	5-24-51	JB to AH; stock certificates enclosed
2.3	1951	receipt for corporate stock
2.4	5-23-51	JB to A. Tyre; send receipt
2.5	5-21-51	JB to W. Stoutter (WS); transfer stock
2.6	5-21-51	JB to A. Gardner (AG); transfer stock
2.7	5-18-51	AH to JB; letters of guardianship enclosed
2.8	5-17-51	JB to Guarantee Trust Company, transfer stock
2.9	5-11-51	appointment of guardian ad litem
2.10	1951	note on 1951 taxes
2.11	4-30-51	order of County Judge assessing tax
2.12	5-14-51	B. Wall to JB; tax order enclosed
2.13	4-30-51	Inheritance Tax appraisement notice
2.14	4-30-51	Inheritance Tax return
2.15	2-115-51	property value assessment
2.16	10-5-50	jewelry appraisal
2.17	1951	statement on new worth of SS assets
2.18	12-9-48	copy of SS Will

2.19	1951	petition for inheritance tax hearing
2.20	5-11-51	JB to AG; transfer stock
2.21	5-8-51	U.S.Steel stock transfer
2.22	5-7-51	AG to JB; stock transfer
2.23	5-14-51	A. Hartwell (AH) to JB; letters of guardianship
2.24	5-10-51	JB to AH; stock transfer
2.25	5-9-51	WS to JB; stock transfer
2.26	5-7-51	WS to JB; stock transfer
2.27	1951	note on Executor's commission
2.28	5-2-51	4 receipts for registered articles
2.29	5-2-51	JB to AH; stock transfer
2.30	5-2-51	JB to Swift & Co; stock transfer
2.31	5-2-51	JB to U.S. Steel; stock transfer
2.32	5-2-51	JB to Guarantee Trust Company; stock transfer
2.33	5-2-51	JB to Chase National Bank; Standard Oil stock transfer
2.34	5-2-51	JB to Chase National Bank; Socony Vacuum Company
2.35	5-2-51	Executor's Deposition
2.36	4-20-51	JB to J. Meara; need company addresses
2.37	4-30-51	JB to AH; Inheritance Tax return enclosed
2.38	5-1-51	JB; note on share value
2.39	5-1-51	order authorizing transfer of corporate stock
2.40	4-16-51	J. Stell (JS) to JB; affidavits enclosed on identity of Arthur W. Taylor
2.41	4-17-51	JB to AH; need affidavits immediately
2.42	4-6-51	JB to JS; please send affidavits
2.43	3-21-51	AH to JB; stock transfer requested
2.44	3-5-51	letters of guardianship, California
2.45	3-13-51	JB to Union Bank and Trust; stock or cash transferred
2.46	3-21-51	W. Scott to JB; State Department loans repaid, enclosures, receipt, 4 vouchers
2.47	3-1-51	JB to Secretary of State; funds enclosed
2.48	2-26-51	H. Wetzork to JB; \$140 owed, affidavit enclosed, statement enclosed
2.49	2-17-51	JB to State Department; need claim
2.50	2-12-51	State Department statement
2.51	2-15-51	JS to JB; estate guardian named
2.52	2-13-51	JB to JS; need affidavits
2.53	1-27-51	3 dividend check stubs
2.54	1951	adding machine tape
2.55	1-17-51	JS to JB; guardians agreed upon
2.56	1-17-51	JB to Collector of Internal Revenue; 1950 return enclosed
2.57	1951	note on 1950 income tax
2.58	1-27-51	Fiduciary income tax return, 1950

**Folder 3; Estate File 3 (1950-1951)**

3.1	1-13-51	JB to JS; need information on guardianship
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3.2	12-30-50	? to V. Dallman; concerning payment
3.3	1-2-51	JB to Indiana Department of Revenue; permission to transfer
3.4	12-29-50	private wire of instructions
3.5	12-30-50	JB to State Revenue Department of Kentucky; permission to transfer
3.6	12-28-50	stock receipts (2)
3.7	12-23-50	JB to I. Eliot; stock sale consent request
3.8	12-20-50	J. Von Bern to JB; stock change, 2 dividend receipts
3.9	12-12-50	W. Souter (WS) to JB; National Leather shares exchange
3.10	12-13-50	JB to WS; share allowance requested
3.11	12-12-50	WS to JB; stock transfer
3.12	12-11-50	JB to J.Taylor; engagement ring and identity affidavits
3.13	12-13-50	postal return receipts
3.14	12-11-50	JB to Sinclair Oil; stock transfer
3.15	12-8-50	E. Eagles (EE) to JB; stock transfer
3.16	1950	Lamson Brothers Private Wire; obsolete stock
3.17	12-6-50	JB to Sinclair Oil; stock transfer
3.18	12-6-50	Receipt
3.19	12-6-50	JB to WS; stock transfer
3.20	12-5-50	Court Order; transfer
3.21	12-5-50	Petition to sell
3.22	11-25-50	receipt, Lamson Brothers
3.23	11-28-50	JB to Lamson Brothers; stock value inquiry
3.24	11-28-50	JB to Lamson Brothers; stock sale
3.25	11-28-50	Petition to sell
3.26	11-25-50	Lamson Brothers receipt
3.27	11-8-50	JB to Department of Taxation; Ohio consent to transfer request
3.28	11-7-50	Lamson Brother to JB; Ohio waiver enclosed
3.29	11-3-50	Petition to sell
3.30	11-1-50	Receipts (2)
3.31	11-1-50	JB; note on stock sale
3.32	10-3-50	JS to JB; position of Jeanne Taylor
3.33	9-14-50	JB to Mrs. M. Black; set money in trust
3.34	9-11-50	Mrs. M. Black to JB; Mr. and Mrs. Taylor getting divorced
3.35	9-14-50	Tax statement
3.36	1950	JB; note on tax statement
3.37	9-18-50	Notice of hearing when no complaint filed by owner
3.38	9-13-50	JB to American Express (AmEx); items, personal effects
3.39	9-13-50	JB to Standard Oil of California; stock sale
3.40	9-7-50	JB to AmEx; jewelry shipment
3.41	9-4-50	AmEx to JB; jewelry shipment
3.42	9-1-50	T.W.A. to JB; jewelry shipment
3.43	9-1-50	JB to N.Rosin; send affidavits for inheritance distribution
3.44	8-29-50	N.Rosin to JB; filing letters of guardianship
3.45	8-31-50	JB to AmEx; jewelry shipment
3.46	8-31-50	JB to T.W.A.; jewelry shipment

3.47	8-30-50	AmEx to JB; jewelry shipment
3.48	8-30-50	T.W.A. to JB; jewelry shipment
3.49	8-10-50	J. Hudson (JH) to JB; jewelry listing
3.50	6-21-50	JH to JB; SS possessions
3.51	6-16-50	Consular Service; final statement of accounty
3.52	1-26-50	JH to JB; SS dead
3.53	1-26-50	JH to Louise Saltzman; SS dead
3.54	2-3-50	JH to JB; body will be shipped
3.55	2-2-50	power bill, Aziend Elettrica Minicipale
3.56	2-2-50	Mortuary receipt, Italy
3.57	2-7-50	Funeral receipt, Italy
3.58	2-7-50	Funeral receipt, Italy
3.59	2-8-50	Funeral receipt
3.60	2-20-50	Shipping invoice
3.61	4-7-50	Shipping invoice
3.62	4-21-50	Inventory of SS property
3.63	8-21-50	JB to Mrs. Black; forward letter
3.64	8-21-50	JB to A. Taylor; Estate
3.65	8-21-50	JB to JH; wristwatch missing
3.66	6-17-50	Lamson Brothers receipts
3.67	5-22-50	JB to JH; Estate Inventory
3.68	4-28-50	aMeX BILL
3.69	4-19-50	Appraisement entry
3.70	10-7-50	Probate supplemental inventory
3.71	5-1-50	Probate inventory
3.72	5-1-50	JB to OW; Repayment on Columbia Pictures Suit
3.73	4-29-50	Lamson Brothers to JB; stock prices
3.74	4-22-50	Daily Pantagraph; proofs of publication
3.75	4-26-50	JB to Lamson Brothers; request on stock prices
3.76	4-25-50	JB to E.Deutsch; burial lot payment
3.77	4-20-50	JB to AmEx; jewelry shipment
3.78	4-20-50	Shipment affidavit
3.79	4-19-50	AmEx to JB; send affidavit
3.80	4-18-50	JB to Mr. & Mrs. Thompson; house details
3.81	4-19-50	JB to Daily Pantagraph
3.82	1950	Notice of claim day
3.83	3-11-50	Daily Pantagraph; Proof of Publication
3.84	1950	Cash ledger (1 page)

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4.1	4-18-50	JB to AmEx; receipt of shipment, difficulties
4.2	4-17-50	AmEx to JB; Shipment arrived in U.S., Customs Declaration form
4.3	4-14-50	AmEx to JB; shipment
4.4	4-14-50	JB to I. Eliot; request tax form
4.5	4-14-50	Executor's Bond Form

4.6	1950	Unknown Heirs Petition, F. Gillespie
4.7	1950	Guardianship appointment, E.A.Donnely
4.8	4-14-50	Affidavit as to Military Status, JB
4.9	4-14-50	Application for inheritance tax consents
4.10	1950	JB; address note
4.11	3-16-50	JH to JB; shipment made
4.12	1950	JB; list of SS cousins and heirs
4.13	3-8-50	Petition to Probate
4.14	1-26-50	Death notification (telegram)
4.15	3-14-50	JB to Mrs. Black; on SS death
4.16	3-9-50	JB to P.Dayman; consulate service on will'
4.17	3-1-50	JH to JB; will obtain witnesses
4.18	3-1-50	JH to JB; disposition of effects
4.19	2-8-50	Report on death of American citizen
4.20	2-20-50	Rossi to Thompson; events around SS death, translation
4.21	2-23-50	JB to Demarihos; thank you for letter
4.22	1950	Letter on death of SS, translation
4.23	2-22-50	JB to American Consul; need details on SS death
4.24	1-30-50	Massara to JB; sadness over SS death
4.25	2-9-50	JB to OW; will cover expenses
4.26	2-7-50	OW to JB; please cover costs
4.27	2-3-50	McKercher-Westervelt to JB; \$5 expense on suit
4.28	2-4-50	Telgram to JB; cannot cremate
4.29	2-4-50	Telegram from JB; ship body
4.30	1-31-50	OW to JB; received cable re: SS death
4.31	2-1-50	Identity affidavit for A.S.Taylor
4.32	1-30-50	Mrs. M. Black to JB; Taylor family
4.33	1-30-50	Box 271 inventory and notepaper list
4.34	1-27-50	I. Eliot to JB; permission to open box
4.35	1-27-50	JB to OW; SS dead
4.36	1-27-50	JB to American Consul; details on body shipment
4.37	1-27-50	JB to Mrs. Black; SS dead, will detail
4.38	12-20-48	Address of heir
4.39	1948	Heirs
4.40	1-27-50	Estimated stock value
4.41	1-27-50	JB to American Consulate; dispose of possessions
4.42	1-26-50	JB to American Consulate; disposition of body

**Folder 5; Miscellaneous (1938-1959)**

5.1	1-22-53	Barbierri to JB; would like gift (abstract of letter)
5.2	12-29-50	Affidavit of Executor
5.3	1959-60	6 items on transferred stock
5.4	1948	Draft or Will
5.5	6-7-51	Final report of Executor
5.6	6-16-51	JB to Collector of Internal Revenue; check sent
5.7	3-13-51	JB to Union Bank and Trust; details on will

5.8	12-9-48	Will of SS
5.9	11-1-50	Closing prices of stock market
5.10	4-30-51	Closing prices of stock market
5.11	4-19-50	Account of SS handled by L. Thompson
5.12	2-16-50	Letter in Italian
5.13	4-18-50	Stock transfer consent form
5.14	6-5-38	SS to Arthur Taylor II;Letter to infant (heir) upon his birth
5.15	1-29-42	E. J. Stevenson to W. P. Leitch
5.16	4-15-54	J.L.Lockwood to JB
5.17	4-15-54	Letter of transmittal
5.18		folder annotated by JB